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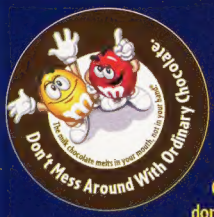

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NATURE'S WAY

OH, SUN! LET RAIN SPILL ON OUR THIRSTY FIELDS TODAY!

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IF IT DOES NOT RAIN SOON, NAKOMA, OUR CORN WILL NOT GROW. WE WILL HAVE NO HARVEST.

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MY FATHER IS WORRIED.
CHIEF POWHATAN, I WILL MAKE THE SPIRITS LISTEN!
THE POWER OF MY SWIFT ARROW WILL SOAR TO THE SUN.
THE WIND WILL RATTLE.
CLOUDS WILL APPEAR.
THEN THE RAIN WILL DRENCH OUR PARCHED LAND.
PERFORM YOUR MAGIC, MORNING FOX.
SWOOOSH

YOUR SWIFT ARROW IS NEARING THE SUN! THEN IT WILL *SURELY* RAIN!
NOTHING'S HAPPENING, POCAHONTAS.
STAY STRONG, MY PEOPLE. KEEP YOUR SPIRITS HIGH. WE WILL APPROACH THE GODS AGAIN TOMORROW.
KEEP TRYING, MORNING FOX. ONE DAY YOU *WILL* REACH THE SUN.
FATHER!
POCAHONTAS! SEEING YOU BRINGS ME GREAT JOY!

BUT I HAVE LITTLE TIME TO SPARE. I MUST LEARN OF NEW WAYS TO MAKE THE RAIN FALL.
I SEE YOUR HEART IS HEAVY, FATHER.
BUT TRY NOT TO DESPAIR...
DO NOT BURDEN YOURSELF WITH MY TROUBLES, POCAHONTAS.
YOU SHOULD BE GATHERING FOOD WITH YOUR FRIENDS.
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AND THE CORN WILL GROW HIGH AND--
HE CAN NO LONGER LEAD US!
THE SPIRITS NO LONGER PERCEIVE POWHATAN AS A WISE AND STRONG CHIEF. THAT IS THE REASON OUR EARTH IS DRY AND CRACKED...
...HE WAS FOOLISH TO MAKE PEACE WITH THOSE SETTLERS.

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BUT MY FATHER IS A WISE AND NOBLE LEADER. HE DOES NOT WANT OUR WARRIORS TO FIGHT.
UNDER HIS GUIDANCE, OUR PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO LIVE IN PEACE.
MEEK-O!
CRASH
WHAT'S THAT NOISE?
IT IS JUST A RACCOON CHASING A RABBIT.
QUICK! FOLLOW ME! WE MUST HEAD BACK TO THE VILLAGE BEFORE SOMEBODY SEES US!

BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE. WE WILL *PLEASE* THE SPIRITS.
IF IT DOES NOT RAIN BY THE NEXT SUNRISE, WE SHALL *CONVINCE* POWHATAN THAT HE CAN NO LONGER BE CHIEF.
WE AGREE, CHIEF LONG HORN.
THEY CANNOT DO THAT! I *WILL NOT* LET THEM!
WHAT IS *THAT?*
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GRANDMOTHER WILLOW, I FEAR MY FATHER IS IN DANGER.
HE IS SO DISTRESSED FROM THE DROUGHT, I DO NOT WISH TO TELL HIM OF CHIEF LONG HORN'S PLAN.
MY POCAHONTAS, I HAVE LIVED IN THESE WOODS FOR A VERY LONG TIME.
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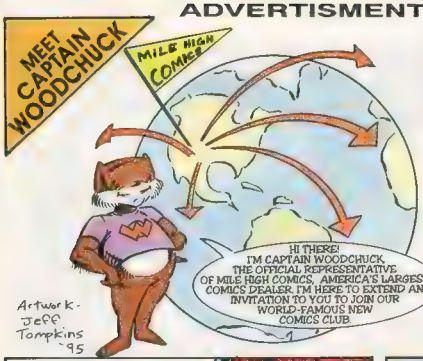

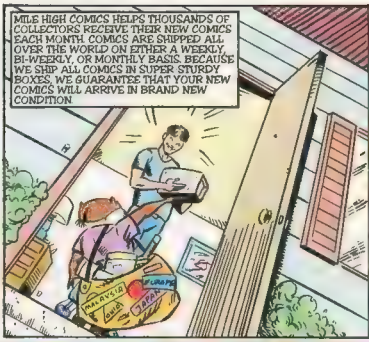

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THEY KNOW THAT THE TREES, LAKES AND CROPS NEED WATER TO SURVIVE.
IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO TO HELP, GRANDMOTHER WILLOW?
YES, MY CHILD. HAVE PATIENCE — LET NATURE WORK ITS WONDERS.
WITH TIME, THE SPIRITS WILL PROVIDE.
THANK YOU, GRANDMOTHER WILLOW.
MEEKO!

HOW DID YOU GET OUT THERE?
JUMP IN!

THE NEXT SUNRISE AT THE VILLAGE OF CHIEF LONG HORN...
ANOTHER MORNING WITHOUT RAIN!
CLACK
THIS IS WHAT CHIEF POWHATAN PROVIDES FOR OUR FOOD.
THE SPIRITS OF THE SKY CALL OUT FOR A NEW LEADER.
AND THEY ARE SHOUTING FOR YOU, CHIEF LONG HORN.
I WILL CHALLENGE CHIEF POWHATAN.
HE WILL SURRENDER HIS POWER TO ME!

Time passes when...
LOOK! CHIEF LONG HORN AND HIS BRAVES ARE ON THEIR WAY TO MY FATHER'S VILLAGE! I MUST STOP THEM!
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SHHH! LOOK AHEAD!
IT'S A FINE DEER, CHIEF LONG HORN.
TONIGHT WE WILL FEAST.
CAW CAW CAW
NOW I UNDERSTAND. MY FRIENDS IN THE FOREST ARE HELPING US.

HURRY! WE CAN STILL GET IT!
"WITH TIME, THE SPIRITS WILL PROVIDE..."
FOLLOW ITS TRACKS!
IF WE COVER THEIR FOOTPRINTS IT WILL TAKE THEM LONGER TO FIND THE PATH TO MY FATHER'S VILLAGE.

MEANWHILE...
THIS WAY!
STRAIGHT AHEAD!
THIS TIME I WON'T MISS!
HE WENT THAT WAY!
WE CAN DELAY NO MORE!
WE MUST GET BACK TO THE PATH IF WE ARE TO CHALLENGE CHIEF POWHATAN BY SUNSET.

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WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR TRACKS?
THEY DISAPPEARED!
?!
LOOK! IT IS THE SEASON FOR THE BIRDS TO FLY TO GREENER FORESTS.
THEIR FLIGHT WILL GUIDE THE WAY TO OUR PATH!
LOOK! THE BIRDS ARE CHANGING DIRECTION, CHIEF LONG HORN!
HOW CAN THEY SHOW US THE WAY WHEN THEY FLY IN CIRCLES?
GOOD WORK, FLIT!

DO NOT FRET, MY BROTHERS. THE SPIRITS LEAD US IN MANY WAYS. THE FIERY SUN CASTS ITS GLOW TO THE WEST.
THEREFORE, OUR TRAIL IS THIS WAY!
THEY ARE BACK ON TRACK!
I MUST WARN MY FATHER THAT HE IS IN GREAT DANGER!
I WILL HAVE TO MOVE MORE SWIFTLY!

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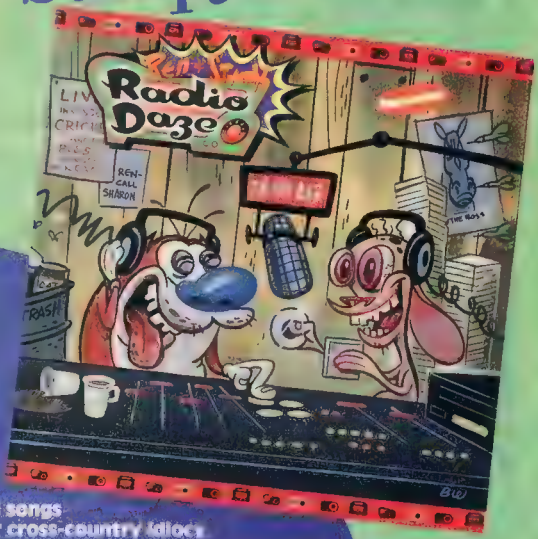

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HURRY, MEEKO! WE HAVE NO TIME TO WASTE!
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SOON...
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FATHER! THERE IS SOMETHING I MUST--
DO NOT WORRY, MY DAUGHTER.
I HAVE HEARD THE VOICE OF THE SPIRITS!
LOOK! THE CLOUDS ARE HEAVY--WITH WATER! SOON THERE WILL BE--

...RAIN! NOW OUR CORN WILL GROW TO REACH THE SKY!

THE SPIRITS ARE NO LONGER ANGRY WITH CHIEF POWHATAN.
CHIEF LONG HORN, WELCOME! WHAT BRINGS YOU TO MY VILLAGE!
I-I-I AM HERE TO--
THANK YOU.
YES! FOR GUIDING US THROUGH THE HARD TIMES!
AND TO PRESENT A GIFT FOR YOUR BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTER, POCAHONTAS.
MY COMPASS.
I WILL RETURN, POCAHONTAS!
LATER THAT NIGHT IN THE LONGHOUSE...
NOW CHIEF LONG HORN UNDERSTANDS THE WISDOM OF MY FATHER'S WAYS...
AND THAT NATURE NEEDS TIME TO WORK ITS MIRACLES.
CRACK
THE END

Disney's MARVELOUS MAIL

Amy Weingartner - Editor

Hey, Marvel/Disney fans! It's been an exciting adventure visiting you every month in the pages of DISNEY COMIC HITS! Please welcome new editor, Amy Weingartner, who continues the HITS tradition of excitement, suspense, laughter, and romance with all of your Disney favorites! Don't miss a single issue because Amy will soon bring Disney's THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME, and Cruella DeVil and 101 DALMATIANS to these very pages! To infinity and beyond, everybody!

Hildy

Hi Everybody, I'm excited to be here but sad to see Hildy going. Let's hear it for Hildy! Hip Hip Hooray! See you next month when Timon & Pumbaa go on a ghostly adventure to The Emerald Isle! Stay tooned!

Amy

Dear Hildy,
I recently went to Disneyland and had a great time! I have DISNEY COMIC HITS #1 and #2. I'm looking forward to getting #3. Pocahontas is my favorite movie. I saw it four times! I think they should make a Pocahontas 2 in which John Smith comes back to Virginia to get Pocahontas.

Tanya Plonka, age 11
Hillcrest, Alberta
Canada

We hope you enjoyed reading about Pocahontas and John Smith in this issue of DISNEY COMIC HITS, Tanya! Although we can't promise you a Pocahontas 2, we can promise you lots more of all your favorite Disney folks right here in these pages every month!

Dear DISNEY COMIC HITS,
I love DISNEY COMIC HITS #2 with Pumbaa and Timon. When will we see some hyena action? Thanks for reading my letter!

Alicia Webb, age 14
Morning View, KY

We're glad you loved DISNEY COMIC HITS#2! Since you're such a Timon & Pumbaa fan, make sure you get your hands on DISNEY COMIC HITS#8. There may even be a little "hyena action" for you inside! We're not telling! And, Alicia, we love to read letters from our fans so please keep writing!

Dear DISNEY COMIC HITS,
I have to say that I wasn't thrilled with the idea of only one Disney comic every month, but I guess it is better than nothing. But when will Aladdin be in a comic again? Aladdin is my favorite Disney movie, and comic too. Do you remember when Al paid a visit to the palace? He said he'd come back, but he never did. I'd like to see him go back and visit again! And do you think you could make an Aladdin comic starring Jasmine? She is my favorite Disney princess.
Well, I guess that's it. I'll write to you later!

Kendal Brenneman, age 13
Millersville, PA

Good news, Kendal! Al and all his pals will be starring in these pages very soon! Look for a special "ALADDIN & THE KING OF THIEVES" comic coming your way. In the meantime, we hope you enjoy the unique opportunity DISNEY COMIC HITS offers — all of your favorite Disney characters together between the pages of one monthly comic!

Dear Hildy,
Your comics are great! I watch Disney cartoon shows on TV all the time, and I love them. So when I saw your comic, I just had to have it!

Elaine Burton, age 12,
Gabriola Isl., British Columbia
Canada

Thanks for writing to us, Elaine! It's great to hear you love the Disney cartoons. You'll be happy to know that "The Mighty Ducks" are coming to "The Disney Afternoon" this fall. They're teenage super hero ducks—what more could you want from TV? So, stay tooned!

Dear Disney Comic Hits,
I really love Pocahontas. She is really pretty, and her raccoon, Meeko, is cute. My favorite movie is THE LION KING. But when I get the movie POCAHONTAS, I bet that will become my favorite.

Katherine Bryant, age 9 1/2
FPO, AE

If you love THE LION KING then don't miss next month's DISNEY COMICS HITS hilarious issue starring Timon & Pumbaa—including, perhaps, a hyena or two! Thanks for writing!

Dear Hildy,
Hey! I would just love to congratulate you on your success with DISNEY COMIC HITS. I totally love the idea of bringing all of your characters together! I almost freaked out when some pen pals told me you were ending the Disney stories! But... you didn't!
Being an artist myself, I've learned how to draw from you. Well, how else could you help me? Hmm... print my address, since I love writing to all those Disney fans! (And Japanese Anime/Manga fans as well!)
Gotta fly, but keep up the beastly work!

Cammi, age 13
10206 Carson Place
Silver Spring, MD 20901

P.S. Hi to "Jasmine", Kim, Emily, Angelaiss, Melanie, Melissa, Helena, and my other pals!

We're happy to print your name and address, Cammi! We think you'll get lots of mail from other Disney fans — hope you can keep up with all of it! Good luck!

Dear Hildy,
I really like what you've done with the first issue of DISNEY COMIC HITS. You've really outdone yourselves. The characters and story are so real and funny. I can't wait to read what you have in store for Pocahontas and John Smith!

Raymond Montan Kim, age 16
Carol Stream, IL

Aw, shucks, Raymond! You're too kind. Hope you like the other issues of DISNEY COMIC HITS just as much! As far as Pocahontas and John Smith goes, I can't reveal any secrets so keep reading!

Dear Disney Comic Hits,
Thank you for the comics about Aladdin, Pocahontas, Timon and Pumbaa. I like them very much! But I am very sad that there are no more Aladdin issues coming.
Well, thanks for the great comics! And keep up the good work!

Margaret Chiloguin, age 10
Eugene, OR

P.S. I am in the fifth grade and it is hard work!
Don't be sad, Margaret! The regular ALADDIN series is over, but soon you'll be able to read all about Aladdin's wedding to Princess Jasmine in the upcoming "ALADDIN & THE KING OF THIEVES" comic!
Oh — one more thing! We know school can sometimes be pretty difficult. But that's what learning new things is like! Hang in there — we promise it'll be worth it!

NEXT MONTH

You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll see shamrocks! For a totally Timon & Pumbaa adventure, come along with DISNEY COMIC HITS to Ireland in next month's feature story, "The Green Ghost." This issue is jam-packed with fun—plus some surprise guests from THE LION KING that you're going to love. Don't miss it!!!!

Dear Disney Comic Hits,
I read your Pocahontas comic books a lot. Are John Smith and Pocahontas going to meet again? I hope so. I am a number one fan of John Smith and Pocahontas. I would like to enter the DISNEY COMIC HITS letter page contest: "Disney Talk." Can you write me on my birthday?

Cindy Sturino, age 10
El Paso, TX

Well, Cindy, we couldn't write you on your birthday, but we hope you had a great 10th birthday just the same! Thanks for your cool suggestion for the letters page title. Fans like you sent in a lot of wonderful ideas, but we already chose a winner which you can see above. Stay tooned for more contests to come, though—you never know what you can win around here! By the way, you'll have to keep up with DISNEY COMIC HITS to find out whether Pocahontas and John Smith meet again. Happy reading!

Dear Disney Comic Hits,
I loved the first THE LION KING issue! I can read it over and over again — it never gets boring. My whole room is decorated with Lion King stuff. I am trying to collect every issue of your comic featuring THE LION KING!

Shannon Malewski, age 9
St. Joseph, MO

We bet your room looks great, Shannon! So, you want to be sure to get every issue of DISNEY COMIC HITS featuring THE LION KING? How about becoming a subscriber?! You'll get each issue through the mail right at home every month, so you won't miss a single exciting adventure! It's easy — just fill out the subscription form in this very issue! Be sure to check with a parent or adult first! And whatever you do, don't miss next month's DISNEY COMIC HITS with Timon & Pumbaa!

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